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To Friends and Members of St. Andrew's UMC,

One of the things I don't enjoy about the United Methodist system of moving pastors around is saying goodbye. Each appointment I have served has been dear to me in a particular way and leaving them was like leaving one of my limbs behind. St. Andrew's was my fifth appointment, so at this point I'm all out of limbs! Methodist pastoral transitions are hard.

I will grieve as I leave St. Andrew's. I've put a goodly amount of sweat, tears, and prayers into my eight years here. Some things have gotten checked off of the todo list, and others will be left undone. Isn't that always the case? Part of my job is to be at peace with that, to ask for your forgiveness where it is needed, and trust God with the rest. Thank you for the honor of serving as your pastor.

My last Sunday in worship with you will be June 9th. I will, however, remain the pastor appointed to St. Andrew's until July 2nd, moving day. In between those two dates I will still be around, but I will not be in worship. Julie and I have a lot of work to do to get ready to move and we will need that time not only to pack, sell the house, and find a new place to live; but, I will also need the time to gear down a little bit. On July 2nd, Sherri Barnes will become the appointed pastor of St. Andrew's. She, too, will need some time to adjust to a new place. Her first Sunday with you will be July 14th.

On my last Sunday in worship, June 9th, I will formally release you from relating to me as your pastor, and you will formally release me to go and serve elsewhere. As at a wedding, sometimes these liturgies get zipped over in the moment without reflection as to what they really mean. So here's the practical part of what that service will mean. On July 2nd, Sherri Barnes will be your pastor. I will no longer offer members of St. Andrew's pastoral counsel, advice, or leadership. I will not return to conduct weddings, funerals, or eat at the delicious shrimp boil. Those privileges are reserved for your pastor. The Lord is sending Sherri Barnes to St. Andrew's, and I do not want to stand in the way of that. I would covet your

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## The CHATTER





### CONTINUE THE CELEBRATION OF OUR 60TH ANNIVERSARY.

Please check out the latest framed photograph collage on the wall of the hallway next to the Sanctuary. Thank you to our own "Home Grown Talent" Debbie Marshall and Kim Bradley for another beautiful photograph arrangement capturing the history of our church. Thank you to Peter Gamwell for hanging the newest addition. -- Nell Smith, Historian



#### UMW FATHER'S DAY FUNDRAISER. We will be placing names in the bulletin on Father's Day, Sunday, June 16th in honor/memory of those men dear to you. Names are \$1.00 each and may be purchased in the Narthex or in the Family Life Center before or after each service on Sunday, June 2nd and 9th. Proceeds will go towards UMW projects.



## FUNDRAISER SATURDAY, JUNE 1ST FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M. IN THE CHURCH PARKING LOT.

Come join us for a fun-filled day for the entire family. Enjoy hot dogs, hamburgers, popcorn, pinchos, and desserts for sale. Carnival games for the kids and cornhole and other games for teens, music for your entertainment and more. We will also have a church-wide yard sale, are in need of items for this. (Please bring items to donate by May 31st.) We have many VOLUNTEER positions yet to fill. Please volunteer your time to help with this fundraising event. Please go to our website at www.standrewsumc.com to link to "signup genius" and select at time and area to help with. Proceeds from this event will support the St. Andrew's United Methodist Church General Fund for the general operation of the church. Thank you for your support.



### PEACE WITH JUSTICE SPECIAL OFFERING SUNDAY, JUNE 16TH.

Your generouse gift supports Peace with Justice ministries in your annual conference, administered by your conference Peace with Justice coordinator, and Peace with Justince work in the United States and around the world, administered by the General Board of Church and Society. When you give, you encourage people to live - not just preach a gospel of peace. Thank you for your support.

## CHURCH NEWS



The United Methodist Women request the pleasure of your company at a reception to celebrate the ministry of Reverend Dan Hester at St. Andrew's UMC on Sunday, June 2nd, at 4:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Please plan to attend.



The CHAT

#### FROM PASTOR DAN HESTER, CONTINUED:

prayers as I go to Skyland UMC. Any notes of encouragement you might send, especially if they are written in small letters on twenty-dollar bills, will be greatly appreciated.

I've gotten some of the same questions since the announcement went out. Here are some items people are asking about.

Q: What's Julie going to do? A: Julie is stepping down from her position at Myers Park Presbyterian. She will take a little time off to help us get settled, then start a job search in the Asheville area.

Q: Are you going to sell your house? A: Yes. Interested?

Q: Do you have a place to live in Asheville? A: No. We will probably rent somewhere initially. We need our place to sell before we buy anything else.

Q: How are the kids? A: The kids are good. Hank is living in Chapel Hill before moving to Seattle in August. Lucy will be living with us through the move.

As hard as transitions like this may be, I humbly take heart in the fact that these transitions can be better for us than anything we could plan for ourselves. I'm reminded of Ephesians 3:20 (NRSV) "Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine." Change is often how the Lord works more than we can ask or imagine. These possibilities are what you will get to discover with Rev. Barnes, and I will get to discover with Skyland UMC.

Thank you for receiving me as your pastor. Receive my blessing to you as I take my leave.

Peace, Dan

## OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



### Miriam Moore South Mecklenburg High School

Miriam

Miriam is graduating from South Mecklenburg High School. While at South Meck. Miriam served on the freshman council and was an active member of the choral program serving as choir president her senior year. She was cast in the musicals all four years of high school and was selected for both the NC and Mars Hill honor's choruses. She is graduating as a NC Scholar and a CMS Scholar and was awarded scholarships in both

academics and music. She was also the inaugural recipient of the Danyelle Copeland Distinguished Leadership award at South Meck.

Miriam will be attending Appalachian State University in their Watauga Residential College in the fall.

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## CHILDREN'S NEWS



If you would like to volunteer or need more information about any of the announcements for Children's Ministry, please contact Sherry Jackson at ChildrensMinistry@ standrewsumc.com or 704-553-1327, Ext 103. Office: (Room #7)

FAMILY MINISTRIES NEWS



If you would like to volunteer or need more information about any of the Youth, Adult, and Mission Ministries announcements please contact Kevin Ward, Director of Family Ministries kjw2517@gmail.com or 704-553-1327, ext. 105. Office: (Commons Room Hallway)



#### JOIN US FOR OUR SUMMER CONNECTION TIME! July 8th-11th From 5:45-8:30 p.m.

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For Kids in Kindergarten – 5th Grade. Registrations are available outside the children's ministry office (Room #7) or at www.standrewsumc.com. Come and bring a friend!

#### SUMMER CONNECTION (FORMERLY VBS) NEEDS YOU!

Openings are available in our small groups (leading children to and from each activity), welcome and sign in table, helpers in the craft room, dinner prep/clean up, hall monitors, play games, prep meals, run sound, give directions, act, clean up, organize, prep materials, help with mailings, make phone calls, serve meals, wipe tables, and many many more things! There is a place for you! We would love to have your join us in our adventure to experience the rid of a lifetime with God! . Please contact Sherry Jackson at childrensministry@standrewsumc.com for more information about how you can join in help on our adventure!

#### **SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR SUMMER CONNECTION TIME.**

There are several things we need to help make our childrens' summer connection program (formerly VBS) fun and exciting for everyone. If you are able to donate any of the these items, please bring them to the childrens' ministry office or in the bins in the narthex. We will update our supply list periodically so keep checking in!

Space related decorations Sidewalk chalk (1 tub) 1 bag solo cups Empty water bottles Terry cloth fabric Large glue bottles Toy microscope Plastic Spoons (pack of 200)

Painters tape 1 bag play sand Duct tape Star glitter 8" square pan Thin ribbon napkins (2 packs of 200) Divided Paper Plates (400) Masking tape 2 bags of balloons Modeling clay <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> " Styrofoam boalls Washable markers Glitter glue Plastic Forks (300) Silver Spray Paint (4 cans)



### DO YOU HAVE A CHILD WHO WILL BE ENTERING THE 3RD GRADE NEXT YEAR?

Please send the child's name and address to Sherry Jackson at childrensministry@standrewsumc.com. We are preparing for our Third Grade Bible day.

#### ST. ANDREW'S UMC LOVES TO GIVE THE CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS A WELL-DESERVED VACATION. This summer, we

would love to allow our teachers to take some time off and we would love to have you come share your many gifts and talents with our young people. If you can give of your time 1-2 Sundays (or more) please contact Sherry Jackson. This is a great opportunity to get to know some of our great families and share Christ with them.

### SAVE THE DATE: MISSION TRIP - JUNE 23RD-29TH

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 27TH. MORE DETAILS TO COME!



## OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



## Jenna Plaisted Harper Middle College High School

Jenna Plaisted graduated from Harper Middle College High School (a joint CMS/CPCC program) on May 22nd. She was a member of the National Honor Society and the Yearbook club, and was in the top 10 of her class (exact final rank not yet known). She performed in the recreational and competitive programs at Miss Donna's School of Dancing for the last 15 years, participating in ballet, tap, jazz, lyrical, hiphop, contemporary, and pointe.

She will attend Queens University here in Charlotte, majoring in English Literature and Creative Writing. She has been accepted into the Preyer Honors program and also was chosen as a member of the inaugural dance team at Queens.



### Meredith Pool Nation Ford High School

## Meredith

Jenna

Meredith Pool is graduating from Nation Ford High School in Fort Mill, South Carolina. She has been a member of St. Andrew's UMC since birth and has been both baptized and confirmed here. Over the years she has enjoyed vacation bible school, music camp, handbells, Camp Tekoa, choir, youth, multi-media team, divine dancers, and youth mission trips at St. Andrew's. She has also done youth missions and bible study with

First Baptist Church of Fort Mill. At school, Meredith has been a part of the Nation Ford Varsity Dance Team, Student Council, Model UN, Beta Club, and the Miss Nation Ford Scholarship Pageant. She is also graduating in the top 6% of her class. In her spare time, Meredith works at Nothing Bundt Cakes of Tega Cay and studies at Starbucks.

Meredith will be working as a camp counselor this summer at Camp Tekoa. In the fall, she will then further her education at Clemson University studying psychology.

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## OUR COLLEGE GRADUATES



## Alexandria Patricia Gillis Alex University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Alexandria Patricia Gillis graduated from UNC Greensboro on May 10th with a degree in Physical Education and Health Teacher Education with a minor in Sports Coaching. While at UNC Greensboro she had the opportunity to teach elementary school students and high school students in Health and PE. She also volunteered at Western Guilford Middle School coaching basketball and softball. Lastly, during her junior year, Alex had the opportunity to study

abroad in Hong Kong and she wishes to go back in the future.

In August, Alex will jump-start her career at Southwest Guilford High School teaching 9th-grade Health and PE. She will also be starting as the Assistant Varsity Volleyball coach in the fall and the head softball coach in the spring for Southwest.



# William Henry HesterHankUniversity of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Hank graduated this year from UNC Chapel Hill with a double major in linguistics and computer science.

In August, Hank will move to Seattle, WA, where he will work for Microsoft as a software engineer.



## Jacob Plaisted Western Carolina University

## Jacob

Jacob Plaisted graduated from Western Carolina University on May 11th. He earned a Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance and had the honor of singing the National Anthem at the ceremony. While at WCU, he sang with the University Chorus, Chamber Choir, Catamount Singers, Opera Scenes, and Concert Choir, which included performances at Carnegie Hall and St Patrick's Cathedral. He also performed with the Asheville Symphony Chorus

and won the 2018 Civic Orchestra solo competition. He was a Chancel Choir Intern at First Presbyterian Church in Highlands, NC, for four years and was a member of the Lake Junaluska Singers the last two summers.

Jacob will return to Junaluska this summer, then continue to build experience and audition for regional opportunities before applying to graduate programs in Opera Performance.

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## OUR COLLEGE GRADUATES



## Carrie Elizabeth Sanford Carrie North Carolina State University

Carrie Elizabeth Sanford received a Bachelor of Science in Biological Engineering with a concentration in Bioprocessing and a minor in biomanufacturing from NC State. Carrie was a member and officer in the Society of Women Engineers, conducted research on biofuels, graduated with honors and was a member and president of Alpha Epsilon honor society for biological and agricultural engineering. She is a member of

American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers and interned at Urban Ministries of Wake county.

*This fall, Carrie will return to NCSU to start her Master's degree in Biological and Agricultural Engineering focusing on metabolic engineering.* 



## Max Snyder Kenan-Flagler Business School at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Max Snyder graduated magna cum laude from the Kenan-Flagler Business School at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a bachelor's degree in Business.

Max is moving to Atlanta and will be working for Balbec Capital, a global private investment firm.



## Katie Stokes Appalachian State University

Katie Stokes, the daughter of Randy and Lura Stokes, graduated from Appalachian State University on May 10, 2019 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Exercise Science and a Minor in Nutrition and Foods. Katie loved her four years in Boone and especially enjoyed attending the Appalachian State football games and hiking trails on the Blue Ridge Parkway. She also participated in the campus ministry, CRU. Katie

attended four college mission trips with St. Andrew's UMC and will always cherish the memories from those. She is grateful for all the friendships she has made throughout her years at St. Andrew's.

Katie intends to pursue a career in Physical Therapy.

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Max

Katie



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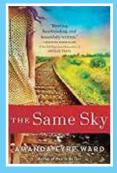


# Andrew Parks WarrenAndrewUniversity of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Andrew graduated with a Bachelor of Arts at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. This included a Media and Journalism Major with an Advertising concentration and Public Policy minor. He received a scholarship to study abroad in Berlin, Germany, during summer 2017. He volunteered for several political campaigns including Roy Cooper for NC Governor. Andrew was active intramural tennis and soccer.

Plans to pursue a career in digital marketing and marketing strategy after finishing an internship with Innovate Carolina.

## BULLETIN BOARD



#### UMW BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION: STARTING FRIDAY, JULY 26TH, AT

**6:30 P.M.** the United Methodist Women will be meeting to discuss "The Same Sky" by Amanda Eyre Ward at Panera Bread, on Hwy. 51 near Carmel Road in Charlotte. All women are invited. This book is a beautiful and heartrending novel about motherhood, resilience, and faith—a rippedfrom-the-headlines story of two families on both sides of the American border.



### **CROSS-CULTURAL WORSHIP** Sundays at 1:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center

This is not only for Hispanic/Latino Families! Everyone is welcome to worship here –Pastor David is multi-lingual. If you attend, you will understand and have a wonderful experience. Please join us!



#### UMW ONGOING COLLECTION Feminine Products Needed for Women at Salvation Army and Urban Ministries. The United

Methodist Women of St. Andrew's UMC-Charlotte are collecting feminine hygiene products to be distributed to homeless shelters in our area. A designated collection box is located in the Commons Room hallway. If you would like to contribute to our cause, we are in need of: individually-wrapped tampons, sanitary pads, panty liners, and cleansing cloths. These items will be donated to the Salvation Army and Urban Ministries, with the possibility of adding an additional location. Thank you for your support!



**LOAVES AND FISHES**. Thank you for your donations to the St. Giles Loaves and Fishes food pantry. Because of community support, our emergency food pantries have never had to turn away a client. Please continue to help fill the need for: **canned fruit**, **fruit juice**, **rice**, **and grocery bags**. Your generous

donates may be dropped off in the marked grocery cart located in the Narthex.

Thank you, Jennifer Basquin, St. Giles, Loaves and Fishes.

## The CHATTER

## **BIRTHDAYS**



## BULLETIN BOARD

#### Peter Gamwell

1 Jacob Hege

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- 1 Vicki Ivey
- 1 Dean Unumb
- 3 Sam Hecksher
- 3 Julie Wynne
- 4 Sherry Council
- 4 Rufus Hutchinson
- 5 Hank Hester
- 5 Erin Melton
- 6 Martha Nelly Acosta
- 6 Amanda Blackwelder
- 6 Brett Thompson
- 6 Garrett Webster
- 7 Cameron Kindlick
- 8 Mary Stone
- 9 Emmanuel Acosta
- 9 Charlie Broerman
- 10 Penny Bryant
- 10 Meghan Buzzard

- 10 Anna Gillespie
- 11 Sandra Griffith
- 12 Alan Davis
- 12 Laura Padilla
- 12 Van Snyder
- 12 Amy Ward
- 13 Brad Barnes
- 13 Bill Maxon
- 15 Ken Farrar
- 16 Bob Reynolds
- 18 Greg Parker
- 18 Madison Stevenson
- 18 Kathryn Brown
- 19 Kaelyn Stevenson
- 20 Sara Joines
- 20 Betty Moore
- 20 Pat Smathers
- 20 Dawn Wardlaw
- 21 Lee McBroom
- 21 Justin Wolfe

#### **MISSION TRIP TO BRAZIL.** Plans are under way for a possible mission trip to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Liz Snyder (a member of our church) is working with Myers Park United Methodist Church to explore such a trip in the fall of 2019. Myers Park UMC has hosted numerous trips to Brazil over the past decade, working with a facility there that houses and cares for the elderly and disabled. This mission

work in Brazil involves minor repairs/cleaning, but most of the time is spent with the residents. The trip would be for at least 10 days (possibly two weeks). Most meals would be provided at the facility and there is a small hotel nearby at which the team stays. The biggest expense of the trip would be airfare. The total cost of the trip would be \$2,500-\$3,000, similar to the cost of most international mission trips. If anyone is interested in learning more about the mission trip or if you know someone who might be interested, please contact Liz Snyder for more details at 704-905-1078.

- BIRTHDA
  - 22 Melanie Tita
  - 22 Matt Wallace
  - 23 Jo Evans
  - 23 Mya Irizarry
  - 24 Jeff Madar
  - 24 Vernon New
  - 24 Eva Wagner

25 Pat David

26 Ema Nunez

28 Weston Kizer

29 Deirdre Smith

30 Gerson Castillo

30 Karen Patton

30 Jackie Sherrill

30 Cassady Broerman

- 24 William Wagner
- 25 Rachel Bryant

26 Traveonia James



## STAYING IN TOUCH

### PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE THIS WEEK:

**For our members:** Joslyn and Jimmy McLaurin, Bernice Ledford, Thomas White, Carolyn Kier, Phyllis Lazenby, Herbert Thomas, Bee Jones, A. D. Adcock, Bonnie White, Hazel Huss, Abbey Buzzard, Garret Webster and family; Charlene Simpson; Shanieka Brown; Austin Brown and Amanda Martin; Dan Jones, Kevin Ward, Traveonia James, Phyllis Cole, Pat Smathers, Del Smith, Peter Gamwell, Tom Aucoin, Carol Hudgins, Jonathan Bickett, Jay Kizer, and Caroline Crabtree.

**Condolences** to the family of Freida Scroggs on the death of her husband Bill Scroggs on May 28th.

**Pray for our homebound members and members who are able to attend occasionally:** Anne Friese, Frank and Shirley Clontz, and Nell Slade.

**Pray for our friends and relatives:** David Lisk's father; Shirley Clontz's sistier, June S. Cochran, and Rob Shay, son-in-law; Leslie Southerland; Bobby Hennecy's mother-in-law, Shirley Spencer; Pat Davis' nephew, David Giles; Stephanie Wells, friend of Karen and David Patton; Bee Jones' daughter, Laura Arndt; Barbara Webster, mother of Shanna Morales; Ryan Costin, friend/ co-worker of Cheryl Broerman and Karen Gibson; Faith Shaw, friend of Jenna Plaisted; Rosemary Young; Chris Picha; Lynda Adair, daughter of Janey Disher; Sarah Cope, niece of Phyllis Lazenby; Tamiah Exum, Melissa Ortigoa, and Antonio Gibson, friends of Traveonia James; John and Karen Patrick's brother-in-law, Larry Wood; Dot Kille's great-grandson, Christopher Lindler; Matt Hardy; Rev. Lee Williams; Bee Jones's grandson, Scott Arndt; Betty Gambell's daughter, Cheryl Gambell; Rob Molazo; Patrick Smith, brother of Rosemary Gloege; Milly Ash's sister-in-law, Shirley Ash; and Betty Reynolds' son-in-law Babak Emadi.

### THANK YOU.

To my church family,

Thank you for the prayers, support, food, cards, rides to doctor appointments, the store, and to Costo since my accident the first of May.

#### Sincerely,

Carolyn Kier

On behalf of my mother, Hazel Huss, thank you to all of you for your prayers and to those who visited her in the hospital and rehab, sent cards, telephoned, and stayed with her at our home so I could go to work. We could not have gotten through this time without you. Please keep her in your prayers as she continues her road to recovery.

With sincere gratitude, Patti Huss

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#### NEXT CHATTER DEADLINE - JUNE 13TH AT NOON SUNDAY BULLETIN AND THURSDAY EMAIL DEADLINE EVERY TUESDAY AT NOON Please send your Chatter/Bulletin information, inserts, etc. to: churchchatter@standrewsumc.com

### 2019 Schedule

#### Family Life Center Service Coffee

June 2	Liz Snyder
June 9	Penny Bryant
June 16	Penny Bryant
June 23	Penny Bryant
June 30	Penny Bryant

#### **Recycle Pickup**

June Bill and Vicki Robinson

Trustee Church Sunday Lock-up June Louise Hardegon

<u>Usher Schedule</u> June Team Leader

George White Cember Carella Larry Carella Larry Collins Linda Collins



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